

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	§	Attorney Docket No. 31132.195 / PC1005.00
Marik, et al.	§	
Serial No.: 10/806,961	§	Customer No. 46333
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Filed: March 23, 2004	§	Group Art Unit: 3738
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For: Constrained Artificial Spinal Disc	§	Examiner: Miller, Cheryl L.
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	§	Confirmation No. 2351

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED DECEMBER 17, 2008**

**I. Introductory Remarks**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2008.

No fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees are necessary—including extension of time fees—the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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**Remarks** begin on page 8.